



### ***U.S. Economic Strength Indicators:***

- More than 5.3 million new jobs created since the President's tax relief took effect.
- 5.6% economic (real GDP) growth for first quarter 2006 – fastest rate since 2003 – fastest of any major industrialized nation.
- 4% average real GDP growth since mid-2003.
- 12 straight quarters of business investment growth occurring immediately after May 2003, averaging 9%.